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SCRIPTURE: VARIOUS

Week of June 30, 2013

Switch • Message 2

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE IS ABOUT SWITCHING FROM DARKNESS TO LIGHT // VERSES

## Review

Those who follow Jesus switch from taking to receiving.

RECEIVING GRACE • RECEIVING TRUTH • RECEIVING OPPORTUNITIES

*"I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."*

Genesis 12:2-3

I AM A KEEPER / HOARDER... // WE KEEP FOR TWO REASONS, SELFISHNESS AND FEAR/WORRY

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**FROM KEEPING to GIVING**

THIS IS COUNTER-CULTURAL

*In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage [to be grasped]; rather, he made himself nothing [emptied himself] by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.*

Philippians 2:5-7

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FOR THIS SWITCH, FOUR AREAS OF YOUR LIFE WILL BE AFFECTED: TIME TALENT TREASURE TROUBLE  
[[ IF I'M NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR GETTING, I'M NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR KEEPING. ]]

We give our **TROUBLES**.

[[ 2 CORINTHIANS 4:17, 4:15 ]]

We give our **TIME**.

[[ LUKE 10:30-37 ]]

We give our **TALENT**.

[[ 1 SAMUEL 16 & 17 ]] DAVID ANOINTED, DAVID BEFORE SAUL, DAVID AND GOLIATH [[ 17:34-37 ]]

We give our **TREASURE**.

ARGUMENT WITH AARON STORY • GETTING THEIR HEART • [[ JER 17:9 !! ]] • [[ MATT 6:21 !! ]]

**Core Financial Principles from the Bible:**

- ▶ God owns everything and chooses who gets what.
- ▶ God blesses those who trust him, not the blessings.
- ▶ God blesses people who pass his blessings on to others.
- ▶ God's Five Financial Priorities:

TITHE (OBEDIENCE, TRUST, GRATITUDE) • FAMILY • POOR • MISSION • ENJOYMENT (INCL. GIVING)

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